

ADDITIONAL ENVIRONMENTALLY PREFERABLE PRODUCT INFORMATION

In line with the Commonwealth's efforts to promote products and practices which reduce our impact on the environment, bidders are encouraged to incorporate environmentally preferable criteria in as wide range of products and business practices as possible. Bidders who demonstrate significant environmental efforts in any of the categories listed below may be eligible to receive extra points in the evaluation of this RFR. In order to receive such consideration, bidders must complete this form and attach any additional documentation necessary to describe the products or process.

1. Packaging

Do bidders use packaging which incorporates any of the following environmental criteria?

- ◆ Contains post-consumer recycled content
- ◆ Promotes waste prevention/source reduction
- ◆ Is fully recyclable in Massachusetts
- ◆ Reduces or eliminates materials which have been bleached with chlorine or chlorine derivatives

☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, bidders must attach a description of the packaging used and the specific environmental criteria such packaging meets.

2. Business Practices / Operations / Manufacturing

Does the bidder engage in practices that serve to reduce or minimize an impact to the environment, including, but not necessarily limited to, the following:

- ◆ Recycling of materials in the warehouse or other operations
- ◆ Use of alternative fuel vehicles
- ◆ Use of reusable or returnable packaging
- ◆ Use of energy efficient office equipment or building design products
- ◆ Use of recycled paper in their marketing and/or resource materials

☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, bidders must attach a description of the practices being followed and the specific environmental criteria such practices meet.

3. Training and Education

Does the bidder conduct/offer a program to train or inform customers of the environmental benefits of the products to be offered under this contract, and/or does the bidder conduct environmental training of its own staff?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, bidders must attach a description of the training offered and the specific environmental criteria such training targets.

4. Certifications

Has the bidder or any of its subcontractors obtained any of the following product / industry certifications:

- ◆ ISO 14000 or adopted some other equivalent environmental management system
- ◆ Other industry environmental standards, such as the CERES principles, Responsible Care Codes of Practice or other similar standards
- ◆ Third Party product certifications such as Green Seal, Scientific Certification Systems, Smartwood.

☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, bidders must attach a description of any certifications obtained.